## **National Hydrologic Program Managers Conference**

(10-1-'04)

#### **Conference Goals**

HPMs will participate in conference activities which will enable them to:

- Understand the national plan to improve services.
- Understand clearly what AHPS is and the HPM's role and responsibility for its implementation.
- Share ideas and best practices across regional boundaries.
- Receive training in customer service.
- Address regional issues/topics through breakout sessions.

## Dec. 6 (Monday)

6:00 - 8:00 (pm) Registration

### Dec. 7 (Tuesday)

#### **Improving Services**

Host: Glenn Austin Room: Queen Anne Ballroom

8:00 - 8:20	Welcome and opening remarksGlenn Austin.	
9.20 0.00	Chief, Hydrologic Services Division, Silver Spring, MD.	
8:20 – 9:00	Invited presentation	
9:00 - 9:20	Invited presentation	
	Director, Office of Climate, Water and Weather Services.	
9:20 – 9:40	Invited presentation	
	Director, Office of Hydrologic Development.	
9:40 - 10:00	Break.	
Private Sector Partners  Moderator: Field Representative/TBD  Room: Queen Anne Ballroom		
10:00 - 10:30	Invited Presentation	
	The Weather Channel.	
10:30 - 11:00	Invited Presentation	
	Meteorologix.	
11:00 - 11:30	Measuring Customer SatisfactionSheri Teodoru.	
	Claes Fornell International.	
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch on your own.	

# Dec. 7 (Tuesday)

#### **Collaboration With Federal, State and Local Partners**

Moderator: Field Representative/TBD Room: Queen Anne Ballroom

12:30 – 12:50	Benefits of PartnershipsPedro Restrepo.
12:50 – 1:10	Senior Scientist, Office of Hydrologic Development. United States Geological SurveySteve Blanchard.
12.30 – 1.10	Chief, Office of Surface Water.
1:10 - 1:30	Federal Emergency Management AgencyMike Howard.
1.20 1.50	Chief, FEMA Risk Branch.
1:30 – 1:50	Corps of Engineers
1:50 – 2:10	Flood Control District of Maricopa County, AZSteve Waters.
	Flood Warning Manager.
2:10-2:30	Steuben County, NY, Office of Emergency ServicesMike Sprague.
2:30 – 3:00	Open forum with panel.  Director/Fire Coordinator.
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3:00 - 3:30	Break
	Modernizing Hydrologic Services Through AHPS  Moderator: Field Representative/TBD  Room: Queen Anne Ballroom
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# Dec. 8 (Wednesday)

## **River Forecast Center Topics**

Moderator: Field Representative/TBD Room: Queen Anne Ballroom

8:00 – 8:15	RFC – TopicField representative.	
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8:45 – 9:00	RFC – TopicField representative.	
9:00 – 9:30	Open Forum with panel.	
9:30 – 10:00	Break	
Operational Issues  Moderator: Field Representative/TBD  Room: Queen Anne Ballroom		
10:00 - 10:20	COOP Modernization,	
10:20 - 10:40	Future WFO Hydro Applications/WHFSJeff Zimmerman.	
10:40 – 11:00	Chief, Support Branch, HSD, Silver Spring, MD.  Training	
11:00 – 11:20	Chief, Support Branch, HSD, Silver Spring, MD. Outreach Activities	
11:20 – 11:40	VerificationBrent Macaloney.  Meteorologist, Performance and Awareness Division, Silver Spring, MD.	
11:40 – 1:00	Lunch on your own.	
Motivational Training  Moderator: Kevin Kodama  Room: Queen Anne Ballroom		
1:00 - 5:00	"Leading Customers: Transforming Customers into Followers"Jim Bagnola.	
Poster Session		
6:30 – 9:00	Poster session, depicting best practices at forecast offices and some national programs. In keeping with the Customer Services theme, Building Coalitions and Customer Relations topics are encouraged.	

# Dec. 9 (Thursday)

## **Subject Breakouts**

7:45 – 9:15	Concurrent Subject Breakout Sessions.  Drought: Interaction of Hydrology & Climatology
9:15 – 9:45	Break
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11:15 – 11:30	Reconvene as one group. Room:
11:30 – 12:00	Final overview of the national component of the conferenceGlenn Austin.
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch on your own.
1:00 – 2:45	Regional break-out sessions.  Eastern Region – Room: Beauregard Salon Central Region – Room: Iberville Room Southern Region – Room: Cabildo Salon Western/Alaska/Pacific Regions – Room: La Nouvelle Orleans West
2:45 - 3:00	Break

3:00 – 5:00 Continuation of Regional break-out sessions.

Eastern Region – Room: Beauregard Salon Central Region – Room: Iberville Room Southern Region – Room: Cabildo Salon

Western/Alaska/Pacific Regions - Room: La Nouvelle Orleans West

## Dec. 10 (Friday)

8:00 - 9:30 Continuation of Regional break-out sessions.

Eastern Region – Room: Beauregard Salon Central Region – Room: Iberville Room Southern Region – Room: Cabildo Salon

Western/Alaska/Pacific Regions - Room: La Nouvelle Orleans West

9:30 – 10:00 Break

10:00 – 12:00 Continuation of Regional break-out sessions.

Eastern Region – Room: Beauregard Salon Central Region – Room: Iberville Room Southern Region – Room: Cabildo Salon

Western/Alaska/Pacific Regions - Room: La Nouvelle Orleans West

12:00 Conference ends.

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